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BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, \$1,400,000 Dollars.

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS. Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq. Deputy Chairman—HOD. W. KERWICK.

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HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 per cent. " " 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, August 16, 1879.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPT DE PARIS. (Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION of 30th April, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £2,000,000. RESERVE FUND, £300,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BERGERE, PARIS.

AGENCIES and BRANCHES at: LONDON, BOURBON, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSHALLS, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LIGNE, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW.

LONDON BANKERS: THE BANK OF ENGLAND. THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONTE, Manager, Shanghai. Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION. (Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3 1/2 per Annum. " 6 " 4 1/2 " " 12 " 5 1/2 " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT, Acting Manager, Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

BANKS.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000. RESERVE FUND, £150,000. Bankers.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 per cent. " " 12 " 5 per cent. "

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA. (Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are allowed on FIXED DEPOSITS:—

For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. "

" 3 " 2 per cent. "

H. H. NELSON, Manager.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Registered in London under the Companies' Act of 1862, on 23rd March, 1866.

Established in Calcutta 29th September, 1863.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £933,000. PAID-UP CAPITAL, £465,250. RESERVE FUND, £20,000.

HEAD OFFICE:—39A, THE HEADNERDLE STREET, LONDON, E.C.

NATIONAL BANK OF ENGLAND. NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

All descriptions of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

INTEREST allowed on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balances; and on FIXED DEPOSITS according to arrangement—the maximum rate being 5 per cent. per annum.

R. H. SANDEMAN, Manager.

Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

SALE OF ENGLISH, AMERICAN AND CHINESE MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, ELECTRO-PLATED WARE, GLASS AND CROCKERY WARE, &c., &c.; AND ONE CHUBB'S PATENT FIREPROOF SAFE.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 24th January, 1880, at 2 o'clock p.m., at his Auction Sales Rooms, Peddar's Wharf,—

English-made Walnut Drawing-room SUITE, Walnut and Mahogany Card Tables, Mahogany Centre Table, Walnut Corner Wharpoons and Side Table, Blackwood Marble-top Round and Side Tables, Teapoy, Mirrors, Engravings, Marble Clock, Steel and Ormolu Fender and Fire Irons, Turkey Carpet, Hearth Rugs, etc.

Tekwood Dining TABLE, Sideboard and Wharpoons, English-made Mahogany Morocco Covered Dining-room Chairs, Easy Chairs, Solid Mahogany Book-case, Electro-plated Dish-Covers, Side-Dishes, Candlesticks, Crusts, Pickle and Liqueur Stands, Ivory Handled Table Cutlery, Electro-plated Table and Dessert Spoons and Forks, Glassware, Crockery Ware, etc.

American Walnut Bed-room SUITE, consisting of Bedstead and Spring Mattress, Marble-top Washstand, Marble-top Bureau, Chamber Stand, Teapoy, Wardrobe, Toilet Set, Mahogany Cheval Glass, Iron Bedsteads, Children's Cot, Chest of Drawers, Shanghai Bath Tub, &c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale.

TERMS.—Cash on delivery.

G. R. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Jan. 17, 1880. ja24

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

"OUR BOYS" COMPANY

Will have the honour of giving their

FIRST PERFORMANCE,

THIS EVENING,

THE 21st JANUARY, 1880,

When will be presented

THE CHARMING COMEDY IN THREE ACTS,

entitled

"A LESSON IN LOVE."

Characters:

Captain Freeman (from India)..... Mr. G. CROFTON,

Orlando Middlemark (his Friend)..... Mr. FRANK STUART,

Babblesbrook (nick-named The News-paper)..... Mr. GEO. NOVILLE,

Servant..... Mr. THOMAS,

Mrs. Sutherland (a Charming Widow)..... Miss EMILY BLAIN,

Miss Anastasia Winterberry (a Spinster)..... Mrs. NORVILLE,

Edith Leslie (her Niece)..... Miss MINNIE NORDT.

Plaist..... Mons. EUGENE PIRON,

Violinist..... Mons. HENRI GAED.

NOTICE.—The Company will give

THREE PERFORMANCES ONLY.

Prices of Admission:

Dress Circle and Stalls..... \$2.

Pit..... \$1.

Doors Open at 8.30; Performance to

commence at 9 p.m.

Seats may be secured at Messrs KELLY and WALSH, where a plan of the Theatre can be seen.

GEO. NORVILLE, Business Manager.

Hongkong, January 21, 1880. ja22

THE HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY will perform

"THE SORCERER"

AT THE CITY HALL THEATRE,

ON A DAY TO BE NAMED SHORTLY.

Tickets may be purchased and places secured at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., on and after SATURDAY, the 17th Instant.

Tickets, admission only..... \$2.

Do., admission and Book of Words (on-entering Theatre) \$2.50.

For the Committee, R. LYALL.

Hongkong, January 14, 1880. fe22

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of

Mr. O. GRABE in our Firm CEASED, by

Expiration of Contract, on the 31st of

December, 1879.

Mr. O. GRABE will Continue to Sign

for our Firm until 31st May of 1880.

Mr. GUSTAV FISCHER has been Ad-

mitted a PARTNER in our Firm from this Date.

E. MEYER & Co.

Tientsin, 1st of January, 1880. fe22

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed

AGENTS to the New York BOARD

OR UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Agents,

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, Sept. 3, 1879. fe20

Intimations.

THE MEDICAL MISSIONARY

SOCIETY IN CHINA.

For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.
Have just landed from
THE AMERICAN MAIL
in THE following STORES, in
Excellent Condition:—

Fresh ROLL BATTER.
Finest Comb HONEY, in Frame.
Do. Do. in Bottles.
Fresh APPLES.
Dried Sliced Datto.
Bonbons CODFISH.
George's Bank Do.
Finest Eastern Factory CREAM CHEESE.
Mild California Do.
Smoked SALMON.
Family Mess BEEF, in 25 lbs. kegs.
Oregon Pickled OX TONGUES, very fine.
Family PORK, in 25 lbs. kegs.
American HAMS.
Do. BACON.
CORNMEAL, HOMINY, CRACKED
WHEAT.
OATMEAL, RYE, FLOUR, BUCK-
WHEAT FLOUR.
CORN BROOMS, CORN WISPS.
Table FRUITS, Bartlett PARS, APRICOTS, PEACHES.
Stuffed PEPPERS, ASPARAGUS.
APPLE SAUCE, CRANBERRY SAUCE.
OYSTERS, LOESTER, SALMON,
CLAMS.
PEA NUTS, PECAN NUTS, BRAZIL
NUTS.
CREAM OF TARTAR, SALERATUS.
Merris' Eastern CIDER.
Winston's Celebrated GREEN CORN.
LIMA BEANS, SUCATASH, SUGAR
PEAS.
CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s GINGER
CAKES.
MILE BISCUITS.
ALPHABET BISCUITS.
OYSTER BISCUITS.
WAFFER BISCUITS.
SODA BISCUITS.

Ex S.S. "GLENFINLAS," and Late
Arrivals.

SMYRNA FIGS.
Muscat BLOOM RAISINS.
JORDAN ALMONDS.
Cooking and Table PRUNES.
Pudding RAISINS and CURRANTS.
Candied PEEL.
MINGEMEAT in 1-lb. tins.
VAN HOUTEN's COCOA.
CARAWAY SEEDS.
SCHWEITZER'S COCOATINA.
HAM TONGUE & CHICKEN SAUSAGE.
WESTPHALIAN, BOLOGNA, OXFORD, and
TRUFFLED SAUSAGES.
GAME PIES.
Potted MEATS.
Prime Yorkshire HAMS.
Prime Wiltshire BACON in Tins & Canvas.
OX-TONGUES in JELLY.
TRUFFLES.

Champagne, &c.

HEIDSIECK & Co.'s MONOPOLE, Pints
and Quarts.
ADOLPHE COLLIN'S BOUZY CABINET,
MUM'S (JULES') CHAMPAGNE, Pints and
Quarts.
NEYEN'S (BODEN) BOUZY, Pint and Quarts.
CHARLES HEIDSIECK'S WHITE SEAL,
Pints and Quarts.
VEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN, Pints
and Quarts.
THIOPHIE ROEDERER & Co.'s VERZENAY
MOUSSEUX, Pints and Quarts.
Krug's CHAMPAGNE, Pints and Quarts.
PERRIER JOUET in Quarts.

Claret.

THIEBAUD (CHATEAU), Pints and Quarts.
CHATEAU LA ROSE (COURCER & ADER),
Pints and Quarts.
CHATEAU LAFITE, Pints and Quarts.
IRES GRAVES, Pints and Quarts.
BREAKFAST CLARET, Pints & Quarts.
OLD INVALID CLARET.
ST. JULIEN, &c., &c.

Burgundy, Hock, Sherries, &c.
Chambord, Chablis (white), Liebfraumilch,
Hockheimer, Niersteiner, Steinberger
Cabinet, Rudesheimer Berg, Konig-
nitt Victoria Berg, Chateau
Yquem, Grand Vin, Haut
Sauterne, Marsala, Sac-
cone's Pale Dry White Seal
Sherry, Yellow Seal Amontillado
Sherry, Cutler Palmer and Company's
Sherry, Invalid Port (1848), Hunt's Port.

Brandy, Whisky, Liqueurs, &c.
1, 2 and 3-star Hennessy's Brandy, La
Grande Marque Brandy, Cutler Palmer
& Co.'s Brandy, Rouyer Guillet &
Co.'s Brandy, 1 to 4 stars;
Finest Old Bourbon Whisky, highly recom-
mended, Kinahan's LL Irish Whisky,
Jameson's Irish Whisky, Royal
Glendess Whisky;
AVH Gin, Swaine Boord & Co.'s Old Tom
Gin; La Grande Chartreuse, Green
and Yellow, Maraschino de Zara,
Curacao, Pts. & Quarts; Ango-
stura, Boker's and Orange
Bitter, &c., &c., &c.

BASS' ALE, bottled by CAMERON & BAUN-
DEES, Pints and Quarts.
GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. & J.
BUKE, Pints and Quarts.
PILSENER BEER, in Quarts.
DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the
Gallon.
SHELT MILWAUKEE BEER.
BUDENSHE BEER.
BOCA BEER.
ALEXON ALE.
BLAZZ MILWAUKEE BEER.
ALE and PORTER, in Bulk, (Hdbs. and
Kilderkins).

Ships' STORES of every description.
Hemp and Cotton CANVAS.
Russian, Manila, and Wire ROPE.
SAIL-MAKING and RIGGING promptly
executed.

Special Selected CIGARS.
Princess CHEROOTS.
Cavite CHEROOTS.
Princess CIGARS.
Cavite CIGARS.

Arcores CIGARS.
Veguero CIGARS.
Choice No. 1 Fortin CIGARS in Boxes
of 100.
Choice No. 3 Melas CHEROOTS.
Choice No. 3 Fortin CIGARS.

NEW SEASON'S PRESENT TEA, in 5 and
10 Catty Boxes.

Hongkong, January 12, 1880.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE,
in Quarts and Pints.
GIBR, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, May 26, 1879.

FOR SALE.

THEOPHILE ROEDERER & Co.'s
CHAMPAGNE, awarded the
GOLD MEDAL AT THE PARIS EXHIBITION.
DRY VERZENAY MOUSSEUX:
Quarts..... \$17 per Case of 1 doz.
Pints..... \$18 " of 2 doz.

MEYER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, August 21, 1879. 21fe80

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-Seventh Ordinary Half-
Yearly MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in the Company will be Held at
the Office of the Company, No. 60,
Queen's Road, on FRIDAY, the 30th
January instant, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon,
for the purpose of Receiving Report
of the Directors, together with a
Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend
and electing Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 7, 1880. ja30

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 17th to the
30th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 7, 1880. ja30

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY,
IN LIQUIDATION.

Shanghai, January 3, 1880.
A N ELEVENTH RETURN of CAPITAL
at the Rate of TWO TAELS per
SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of
Record on 12th January, Payable at
the Office of the Liquidators, on MON-
DAY, 19th January.

Warrants will then be delivered by the
Undersigned to Shareholders, or their
lawful representatives, on presentation of
Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 19th
January, inclusive.

By Order,
RUSSELL & Co.,
Liquidators.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.

W. E. SPRATT & Co. have lately
added an Extensive MACHINE
SHOP and other APPLIANCES to the former
Advantages of these Docks.

The DIMENSIONS of the DOCK are:—460
Feet, on the Blocks; 92 Feet Wide; Or-
dinary Tides, 21 Ft.; Spring Tides, 24½
Feet, 20, PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, October 4, 1879. 4oc80

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crews
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:—

Moss B. Tower, American barkentine,
Capt. C. Hall.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MIDDLESEX, British barque, Captain A.
Walsh.—Borneo Company.

GARIBOLDI, American barque, Capt. T.
J. Forbes.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

PRINCE FREDERICK, British ship, Capt.
John Clague.—Vogel & Co.

MABEL, American barque, Capt. Francis
Hallett.—Captains.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR MANILA.

The Steamship
"DIAMANTE,"
Captain COLLIER, will be de-
spatched for the above Port
on FRIDAY, the 23rd instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.,
Hongkong, January 21, 1880. ja28

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Escambia having arrived
from the above Ports, Consignees of
Cargo are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed at their risk into
the Godowns of Messrs NORTON & Co.,
whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats
delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before
4 p.m. TO-DAY.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the
26th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees of Cargo from London will be
required to sign an Average Bond.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

BIRLEY & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 21, 1880. ja28

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR HOIHOW AND PAKHOL.

The Steamship
"HAINAN,"
Capt. CONNER, will be de-
spatched for the above Ports
TO-MORROW, the 22nd Inst., at 6 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.,
Hongkong, January 21, 1880. ja22

FOR STORAGE.

IN GODOWNS, PRAYA CENTRAL, from
the 1st February next.

Apply to RUSSELL & Co.,
Hongkong, January 21, 1880. fe21

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 20, 7.30 p.m., Hainan, American
steamer, 281, J. W. Conner, Pakhol Jan.
16, 6 p.m., Hoihow 18, 6 a.m., and Macao
20, 1.15 p.m., General.—RUSSELL & Co.
Jan. 20, Emma, German 3-m. schooner,
233, Misholong, Chefoo Jan. 11, Beans—
CAPTAIN.

Jan. 21, *Floral Star*, British 3-m. sch.,
244, G. W. Davison, Touren Jan. 3, General—
ADAMSON & BELL & Co.

Jan. 21, *Escambia*, British steamer, 1408,
Wildgoose, London Nov. 5, and Singapore
Jan. 9, General.—BIRLEY & Co.

Jan. 21, *Chin-tung*, Chinese steamer,
from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 21, *Southsea Cross*, for San Francisco.
21, *City of Boston*, for New York.
21, *Elizabeth Childs*, for London.
21, *Chameron Kamry*, for Bangkok.
21, *Sun-tee*, Chi. g.b., for Canton.
21, *Amoy*, Chi. g.b., for Hoihow.
21, *Peiho*, for Marseilles, &c.
21, *Sophie*, for Whampoa.

CLEARED.

Papa, for Bangkok.
Douglas, for Sutow.
Friedrich Perthes, for New York.
Escambia, for Shanghai.
Claverhouse, for Shanghai.
Hesperus, for Takao.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Floral Star*, from Touren, 82 Chil-
nese.

Per *Escambia*, from Singapore, 32 Chil-
nese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Peiho*, for Salfon, Mr. J. Le Gray,
and 14 Chinese; for Singapore, Mrs. R. L.
Hall, Mr and Mrs White, Mr. A. Wade
and servant; for Marseilles, Messrs J.
Cozon, A. Guizot, G. Davis, Mrs Mead,
Mrs Heaton, Mr McDonald, and Captain
Watt.—From Shanghai: for Suez, Rev.
Reverend Palmer; for Marseilles, Mr and Mrs
Cleve, Messrs E. A. Sasseon, J. E. Jan-
sen, A. Arene, Capt. E. Suenson, Messrs
Macabar, Garrett, A. Crawford, and J.
Rutherford.—From Yokohama: for Gallo,
Mr. Rocher; for Naples, Mr and Mrs Gasco
and infant; for Marseilles, Capt. Mr. and Mrs
Faunconet, Mr. E. Moulton, Mr and Mrs
Suwa.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The American steamer *Hainan* reports:
Left Pakhol at 6 p.m. on the 16th. Arrived
at Hoihow at 10.30 a.m. on the 17th, moderate
E. and N.E. winds till arrival.
Left Hoihow at 6 a.m. on the 18th, strong
N.E. winds. Anchored off Macao at mid-
night on 19th. Got underway at 6.15 a.m.
on 20th, and arrived in port at 6.45 a.m.
Left Macao at 1.15 p.m. same day. And
arrived in port at 7.30 p.m. on 20th, fine
weather till arrival. Passed H.B.M. gun-
vessel *Sheldrake* from Hoihow at 7.30 a.m.
on the 18th, steering for Nowchow and
bound for Hongkong.

The German 3-masted schooner *Emma*
reports: First part of passage light winds,
the latter part strong monsoon and thick
misty weather.

The British 3-masted schooner *Floral*
Star reports: First part fresh Easterly
gales, latter part strong N.E. and Northerly
gales.

CARGO.

Per S. S. *Peiho*, sailed 21st January:—
For Continent, 2,628 bales Silk, 150 bales
Waste Silk, 1 bale Cocoons, 28 cases Silk,
248 pkgs. Sundries.—For London, 145
bales Silk, 116 bales Waste Silk, 10 bales
Pongee, 563 pkgs. and 826 pkgs. Tea, 3
cases Silk, 459 pkgs. Sundries, and 2 cases
Treasure (\$36,100).

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SHANGHAI AND YOKOHAMA.—
Per *Escambia*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow,
the 22nd Inst.

For HOIHOW AND PAKHOL.—
Per *Hainan*, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the
22nd Inst., instead of as previously
notified. (24 cents rate.)

For SINGAPORE, AND E. AUSTRALIA,
&

sary to throw overboard 150 tons of cargo from the forward part of the ship before she could be got off. The damage done was trifling, simply a crack or split about ten inches long in one of her plates, but it had the serious effect of necessitating the discharge and reloading of nearly all her cargo at Aden, which detained the ship there for no less than twenty days. A Court of Inquiry held at Aden entirely exonerated the Captain and Officers of the ship from all blame on account of the mishap, and it was mentioned that a light-ship would shortly be placed over the reef. The *Escombis* experienced fine weather from the Thames until entering the China Sea, when she had rough and dirty weather to port.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending January 18th:

LIBRARY.		MUSEUM.	
	European.	Chinese.	
Mon. Jan. 12th,	3	49	639
Tues. " 13th,	3	58	328
Wed. " 14th,	4	33	740
Thur. " 15th,	5	55	547
Fri. " 16th,	2	68	494
Sat. " 17th,	7	59	868
Sun. " 18th,	4	Sunday.	Sunday.
Totals	28	317	3,111
Grand total.	3,456.		

Police Intelligence.

(Before the Hon. C. B. Plunket.)

Wednesday, Jan. 21st.

DRUNK AND INCAPABLE.

Samuel Gough, a seaman unemployed, was charged with being drunk and incapable in the public streets yesterday. This was his fifth appearance within a few months.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$5, in default fourteen days' imprisonment with hard labor.

the hold and called on witness to assist him in bringing up a bucket from below. The prisoner handed up a bucket of lime imbedded in which was a stone jar. Prisoner almost immediately afterwards came up from the hold and took the jar into the forecastle. Witness did not know the contents of the jar then, nor did he know that a box had been broken open.

Two other seamen who were working along with last witness gave corroborative evidence.

Prisoner in defence said he was at work in the hold, and seeing a case open he could not resist the temptation and took one jar.

His Worship sentenced the prisoner to pay \$1, the value of the jar of ginger, and to undergo one month's imprisonment with hard labor.

REPARATORY SHAMAN.

W. Richards and A. Hammond, seamen on board the *Middlesex*, were charged with refusal of duty on the 19th and 20th inst.

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I do not believe that any who look at religion as a reality would wish the pulpit to deal only with colourless generalities. But if not, some things must be said at times that in a small community like this will seem to be mere personalities. Monologue as the sermon is however, the congregation has many ways of replying, and where this is done in a fair and temperate spirit, as in your remarks in last night's issue, good will be done on both sides.

Yours &c.,
J. S. BURDON,
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I have sympathized with the Bishop in those necessary appeals to the charity of his congregation (a most distasteful duty for a refined, sensitive nature), and have had to realize the contrast between the alacrity with which I subscribe to amusements and the hesitation in giving to these ennobling charities.

ONE OF THE CONGREGATION.

Latest News from Afghanistan.

FOUR DAYS' FIGHTING.—THE BRITISH TROOPS CARRY EVERYTHING BEFORE THEM.

The Indian telegrams brought on by the *Escombis* from Singapore are, remarks the *Straits Times*, if rather meagre on the whole of a reassuring character and such as to prepare us for Reuter's telegram of a later date, announcing that reinforcements had reached General Roberts enabling him to dispense his assailants and reoccupy Kabul.

We append below the latest telegrams that appear in our Indian contemporaries. There seems to be no doubt that the result of the four days' fighting from the 11th to the 14th December was that General Roberts was either forced or deemed it the more prudent course to retire with his whole force into his entrenched camp at Sherpur, a mile and a half to north.

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"GOVERNMENT CIVIL HOSPITAL,"
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Magistrate.

"Sir,—With reference to the report in last night's *China Mail* of the evidence given by me before you in the Li Ailing opium case, there are some points I am desirous of correcting. First, I not only infer but state a fact that the substance

in the bottle contains morphia equal to a one per cent. solution of average opium. Second, I am of opinion the two substances in the tin case are not preparations of sennamum seed from the fact that they contain no oil, sennamum seed containing over 30 per cent. of oil. Third, what I intended to convey to your mind was that opium exhausted of morphia is considered by some authorities still to have sedative properties, moroic acid, although a characteristic property of opium is considered to be an inert substance. I trust my desire to give correct information will be a sufficient excuse for troubling you on the matter."

Defendant was discharged on the ground that neither the 19 packages nor the stuff in the three jars contained any opium.

The case of Chan Chong, also remanded from the 4th instant, on a somewhat similar charge was again called to-day, but at the request of the Solicitors on both sides the further hearing was postponed till Wednesday next, the 26th instant, at half past two o'clock.

THE "KATE WATERS" TRAGEDY AGAIN.

Tahil and Awat, one a native of the Malay Peninsula, the other of Java, were charged with murder on the high seas on board the British barque *Kate Waters*. These men were brought to this port as prisoners from Labuan by H. M. S. *Kestrel* which arrived yesterday. They are believed to be the remainder of the men who on board this ill-fated barque, were confined in the murder of the Captain and officers; and one of them, we believe, confesses to being the murderer of the Chief Officer. They have been sent on board with the Labuan authorities as the other three prisoners, who were found guilty and hanged, were with those also who testified against them. The only difficulty will be to get the witnesses together again who can give any evidence of the proceedings of these dreadful days.

Inspector Corcoran, who has charge of the case, applied for a remand for a week, which was granted.

Marine Court.

(Before H. G. Thomsett, Esq., R.N.)
Wednesday, Jan. 21.

BRACHING CARGO.

Patrick Scanlan, of the British barque *Middlesex*, appeared charged with braching cargo on board ship on the 19th instant.

Captain Walsh, the master, said that the mate reported on the 19th instant that case of ginger in the hold had been broken open, and on making inquiries he learned that defendant had been seen coming up from below with two jars of ginger in a bucket.

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Mails.

MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE.

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Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to 6 p.m. of 23rd January.

No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

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CARGO and PASSENGERS for Nagasaki will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe.

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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY's Steamship BOKHARA, Capt. W. D. ANDERSON, will leave this on WEDNESDAY, the 28th instant, at 11 p.m.

Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the direct route. Silk and Valuables will be transferred to the Calcutta steamer at Gallo.

For further Particulars, apply to A. McIVER, Superintendent.

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U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH to NEW YORK, via

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THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF TOKIO will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th February, at 1 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 2 p.m. the 3rd February. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 18, 1880. fe4

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. BELGIO will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, February 25th, 1880, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central and South America, and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

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G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, January 17, 1880. fe5

Notices to Consignees

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after TUESDAY, the 20th instant, will be landed and stored at the Office up to 6 p.m. of 23rd January.

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G. de CHAMPEAUX,

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TO BE LET, FURNISHED, from 1st February next—"EXCELSIOR," ROBINSON ROAD. On view by appointment.

EDMUND SHARP,

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Hongkong, December 29, 1879.

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